



# Immovable Obstructions



## What is an Immovable Obstruction?

- An artificial or man-made object that you can't move. (Ex: cart-paths, sprinklers, rain shelters, drains, equipment, boxes).

## When do you have Interference?

- **Stance:** If any part of your stance lies on the obstruction.
- **Area of Intended Swing:** If your club could contact the obstruction at address or during any part of your swing. (No relief when your ball lies in a water hazard)
- **Lie of Ball:** If your ball lies in or on the obstruction.

## How do you take relief?

- Find your nearest point of relief and without penalty drop the ball within one club length no closer to the *hole*. You must achieve complete relief from the obstruction.

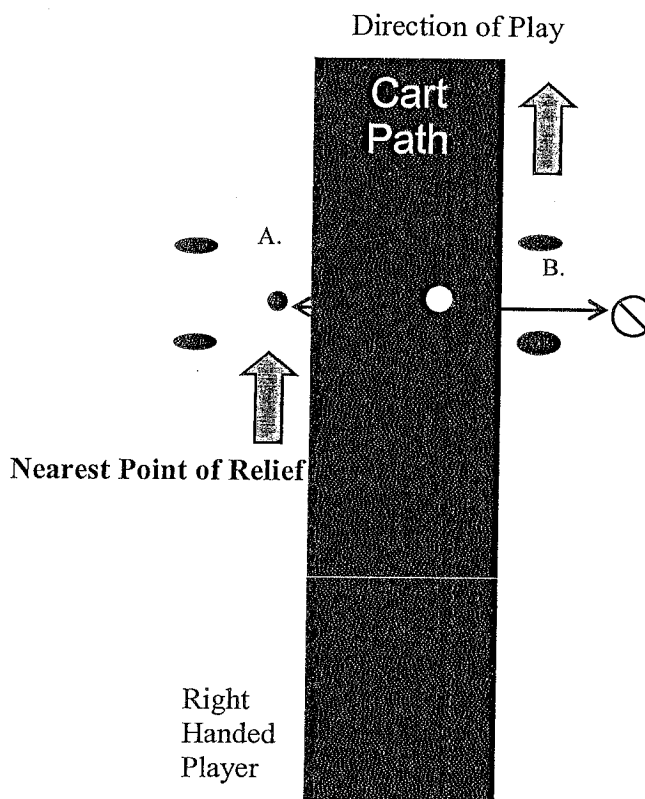
## How to Proceed

**Step 1: Find Nearest Point of Relief** (not nearer the hole) so obstruction does not interfere with:

- Swing
  - Stance
  - Lie of Ball
- **See Diagram:** Point A is nearest to the ball's original position, so it is the nearest point of relief.

**Step 2: Drop the ball within one club length of the Nearest Point of Relief:**

- Not Nearer the Hole
- Take **complete relief** where there is no interference for lie, stance, and area of intended swing (not in a hazard or on a putting green.)



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